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Washington, DC  
20250

**Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix-I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsible.**

FV-320

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: July 21, 2005

Miscellaneous Products, Announcement FV-320, Invitation 012

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell fresh potatoes for processing as indicated below and per the Announcement for donation to the Child Nutrition Program. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Thursday, August 4, 2005**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, August 19, 2005. Deliveries are to be made from September 16, 2005 thru December 15, 2005.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Fresh Potatoes for Processing

Bulk

65,320,000 lbs

**Specifications for Potatoes for Processing:**

1. **Grade** - U.S. No. 2 Potatoes for Processing or better.
2. **Pack** - Bulk
3. **Crop Year** - The potatoes shall be from the current packing season/crop year.
4. **Size** - Whole potatoes shall be not less than 1 7/8 inches in diameter in accordance with the U.S. Standards for Grades of Potatoes for Processing (usable pieces not less than 4 ounces in weight) 3% can be undersized and 10% can be oversized. Lots shall not contain less than 45% over 6 ounces.
5. **Varieties** - Shepody, Ranger, Umatilla, and Russett Burbank. Varieties cannot be mixed.
6. **Sugar or sugar end content Criteria:**

No more than 15 % of the potatoes (plugs or slices taken from the sample) are Color 3 or darker in the USDA Color Chart, or comparable scale when fried in 375 degree F oil for three minutes. The sample for frying to determine color may be prepared by one of the following methods:



- a. 3/8" X 3/8" center cut strip
  - b. 3/4 inch diameter area in the center of the cut face of a 1/4 inch slice made by a transverse cut through the tuber at 1/2 inch from the stem
  - c. 2 1/2 inch disc cut from a 5/16 inch slice taken from the middle of 10 potatoes
- 7. **Specific Gravity Specification:**

All varieties 1.075 or higher
- 8. **Bruise:**

No lot should be less than 40% bruise-free.

The method of calculating the term "bruise-free" shall be evaluated for bruising by the Federal or Federal-State Inspector.
- 9. **Domestic Product Requirement:**

Documentation is required to support the domestic origin of the product.
- 10. **Grading and Inspection:**

Inspection must be performed by Federal or Federal-State Inspection Service. Product will be inspected as delivered at destination.
- 11. **Invoices and Payment:** Invoices and payment will be in accordance with Section X. Invoices and Payment, Announcement FV-320. Sample chart in the submission of invoices is attached.

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

**Note:** Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is <http://orca.bpn.gov>. The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated Appendix 1 dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm>

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of their Appendix 1.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

**Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract.** Inquiries about Announcement FV-320, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Miscellaneous Products dated June 2003, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-320, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.



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 INVITATION : 012  
 COMM GROUP : 89 MISC PROD BULK  
 COMM TYPE : 20 POTATOES-BULK  
 PACK SIZE : 90 BULK

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)	PRICE PER (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/05 - 09/30/05					
001	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
002	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	320,000	_____
003	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
004	TWIN FALLS	ID		400,000	_____
005	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,800,000	_____
006	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
007	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	600,000	_____
008	CALDWELL	ID		40,000	_____
009	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
010	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
011	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
012	CALDWELL	ID		520,000	_____
013	TWIN FALLS	ID		960,000	_____
014	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	960,000	_____
015	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
016	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,040,000	_____
017	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	2,160,000	_____

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018	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
019	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
020	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
021	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
022	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	800,000	_____
023	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
024	CALDWELL	ID		200,000	_____
025	CALDWELL	ID		2,080,000	_____
026	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,040,000	_____
027	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	2,120,000	_____
028	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	160,000	_____
029	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	480,000	_____
030	CALDWELL	ID		200,000	_____
031	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
032	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
033	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
034	CALDWELL	ID	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____

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035	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
036	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
037	HERMISTON	OR		120,000	_____
038	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
039	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
040	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	720,000	_____
<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05</b>					
041	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	320,000	_____
042	CALDWELL	ID		280,000	_____
043	TWIN FALLS	ID		400,000	_____
044	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
045	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
046	HERMISTON	OR		80,000	_____
047	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	440,000	_____
048	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
049	CALDWELL	ID		1,120,000	_____
050	TWIN FALLS	ID		480,000	_____

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051	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,440,000	_____
052	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	480,000	_____
053	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
054	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,320,000	_____
055	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
056	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	800,000	_____
057	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	280,000	_____
058	CALDWELL	ID		400,000	_____
059	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
060	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
061	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
062	CALDWELL	ID		200,000	_____
063	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
064	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
065	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
066	CALDWELL	ID	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
067	CALDWELL	ID		280,000	_____
068	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
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070	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
071	TWIN FALLS	ID		400,000	_____
072	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
073	HERMISTON	OR		120,000	_____
074	CALDWELL	ID		40,000	_____
075	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
076	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
077	CALDWELL	ID		1,120,000	_____
078	CALDWELL	ID		520,000	_____
079	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	480,000	_____
080	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
081	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,360,000	_____
082	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
083	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
084	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	160,000	_____
085	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
086	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	800,000	_____
087	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
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091	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
092	CALDWELL	ID		480,000	_____
093	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,520,000	_____
094	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,200,000	_____
095	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
096	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/05 - 11/15/05</b>					
097	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	320,000	_____
098	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	720,000	_____
099	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
100	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
101	TWIN FALLS	ID		480,000	_____
102	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	960,000	_____
103	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
104	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,320,000	_____
105	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	280,000	_____
106	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
107	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
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111	TWIN FALLS	ID		400,000	_____
112	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
113	HERMISTON	OR		80,000	_____
114	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	600,000	_____

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115	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	320,000	_____
116	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
117	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	360,000	_____
118	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
119	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	480,000	_____
120	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
121	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,320,000	_____
122	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
123	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
124	CALDWELL	ID		120,000	_____
125	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
126	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	400,000	_____
127	CALDWELL	ID		160,000	_____
128	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	160,000	_____
129	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
130	CALDWELL	ID		520,000	_____

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131	TWIN FALLS	ID		400,000	_____
132	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
133	HERMISTON	OR		120,000	_____
134	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	240,000	_____
135	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	720,000	_____
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136	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	760,000	_____
137	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	800,000	_____
138	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
139	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
140	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	480,000	_____
141	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	1,280,000	_____
142	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
143	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
144	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
145	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
146	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
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148	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
149	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____

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150	JAMESTOWN	ND	TRUCK ONLY	120,000	_____
151	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	80,000	_____
152	CALDWELL	ID		1,640,000	_____
153	CALDWELL	ID	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
154	EASTON	ME	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
	TWIN FALLS	ID		440,000	_____
155	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____
156	HERMISTON	OR		80,000	_____
157	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	200,000	_____
158	CONNELL	WA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 65,320,000

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 Felicitas C. Lofton  
 Contracting Officer

#### Attachment

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## SAMPLE

COMPANY NAME  
ADDRESS

Contract No.: 1202XXXXX

Announcement/Invitation No.: FV-000, Inv. 000

Invoice No.: 45678

Date: July 1, 2005

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Submitted By:

(Signature/Title)